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Examiner's Name: Henry A. Bennett
Art Unit: 3743
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- ☒ Applicant(s) claim small entity status (37 CFR 1.27).

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- ☐ Amendment/Response After Final Action (37 CFR 1.116) (reminder: consider filing a Notice of Appeal)
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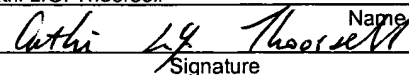
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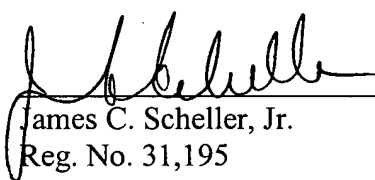
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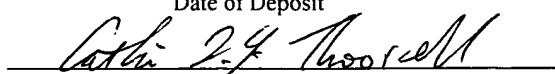
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SUGGESTION OF INTERFERENCE
(RE U.S. PATENT NO. 6,096,052)

Sir:

Applicants respectfully suggest that an interference be declared with U.S. Patent No. 6,096,052 under 37 C.F.R. § 41.202 and that the following remarks be entered for the subject application.

REMARKS

Applicants have copied claims from U.S. Patent No. 6,096,052 issued to Callister, *et al.* (hereinafter “the ‘052 Patent”) and respectfully suggest that an interference be declared under 37 C.F.R. § 41.202 between the present application and the ‘052 Patent.

The effective filing date of the present application is earlier than that of the ‘052 patent, so that Applicants will be senior party in the suggested interference. The present application is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application No. 09/912,067 (filed on July 23, 2001), which was a continuation of U.S. Patent Application No. 09/592,123 (filed on June 12, 2000), which was a continuation of U.S. Patent Application No. 09/093,835 (filed on June 8, 1998), which claimed the benefit of priority from U.S. Provisional Patent Application No. 60/059,861 (filed on September 24, 1997), and which was also a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application No. 08/475,252 (filed on June 7, 1995), and a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application No. 08/474,779 (filed on June 7, 1995). As established hereinbelow, support for the proposed count is found in the parent ‘779 and ‘252 applications originally filed on June 7, 1995 and in the 60/059,861 provisional application filed on September 24, 1997 (as well as in the instant application and the intervening parent applications). In contrast, the ‘052 patent issued from an application filed on June 8, 1998, and claims priority from no previous filing.

The undersigned also wishes to inform the Examiner of additional interfering subject matter between applications and patents owned by the assignee of the present application and the assignee of the ‘052 patent. Specifically, a suggestion of interference with U.S. Patent No. 6,432,116 has been made in U.S. Application Serial No. 10/641,333 and other interfering claims have been filed in a continuation of the present case filed on even date with respect to U.S. Patent No. 7,073,504. Further, claims have been copied from App. Ser. Nos. 10/880,355, 11/047,319 and 11/116,480 into App. Ser. No. 11/367,871 and a continuation of 11/367,871.

Showing in Support of Requested Interference

Under 37 C.F.R. § 41.202, Applicants suggest this interference be declared between the present application and the unexpired ‘052 Patent. Applicants have satisfied each requirement of § 41.202 as follows:

(1.) The patent with which Applicants are seeking an interference is U.S. Patent No. 6,096,052, which issued to Callister, *et al.* on August 1, 2000, and which is entitled Occluding Device and Method of Use.

(2.) The Proposed Count is as follows:

(i) A contraceptive or sterilization device for occluding a reproductive body lumen to prevent the passage of reproductive cells therethrough, comprising:

a tubular member having a first end, a second end, and a lumen extending therein, which is at least in part expandable within the reproductive body lumen from a first configuration to a second larger configuration; and

a mesh member connected to the tubular member, which is permeable to allow for tissue ingrowth to thereby occlude the reproductive body lumen;

or

(ii) A contraceptive or sterilization device for occluding a fallopian tube to inhibit conception, comprising:

a tubular structure having a first end, a second end, and a lumen extending therein, the tubular structure expandable within the fallopian tube from a first configuration to a second larger configuration; and

a tissue ingrowth element connected to the tubular structure, the tissue ingrowth element inciting tissue ingrowth to thereby occlude the fallopian tube.

The proposed Count is a phantom Count having a first part (i) identical to claim 28 of the '052 patent and a second part (ii) identical to claim 19 of the present application, a claim that is patentably indistinct from claim 28 of the '052 patent.

It is respectfully submitted that all claims (1-42) of the '052 patent correspond to the Proposed Count. Claim 28 of the '052 patent corresponds exactly to the first part (i) of

the Proposed Count. Claims 1-27 and 29-42 of the '052 patent correspond substantially to the Proposed Count.

It is respectfully submitted that pending claims 12-21, 35-37 and 82-105 of the present application correspond to the Proposed Count. Claim 12 of the present application corresponds exactly to the first part (i) of the Proposed Count and claim 19 corresponds exactly to the second part (ii) of the Proposed Count. Furthermore, claims 12 through 18 are identical to and have been copied from claims 28, 29, 31, 33, 40, 41, and 42 of the '052 patent and claims 19-21, 35-37 and 82-105 of the present application substantially correspond to claims of the '052 patent.

(3.) A claim chart is included below that compares at least one claim of each party corresponding to the Count and also shows why the claims interfere within the meaning of § 41.203(a).

Claim 28 of U.S. Patent No. 6,096,052	Claim 12 of the Present Application	Interference under § 41.203(a)
A contraceptive or sterilization device for occluding a reproductive body lumen to prevent the passage of reproductive cells therethrough, comprising:	A contraceptive or sterilization device for occluding a reproductive body lumen to prevent the passage of reproductive cells therethrough, comprising:	Interfering under § 41.203(a) because each would anticipate the other because they are identical.
a tubular member having a first end, a second end, and a lumen extending therein, which is at least in part expandable within the reproductive body lumen from a first configuration to a second larger configuration; and	a tubular member having a first end, a second end, and a lumen extending therein, which is at least in part expandable within the reproductive body lumen from a first configuration to a second larger configuration; and	Interfering under § 41.203(a) because each would anticipate the other because they are identical.
a mesh member connected to the tubular member, which is permeable to allow for tissue ingrowth to thereby occlude the reproductive body lumen.	a mesh member connected to the tubular member, which is permeable to allow for tissue ingrowth to thereby occlude the reproductive body lumen.	Interfering under § 41.203(a) because each would anticipate the other because they are identical.

(4.) Applicants will prevail on priority at least because they have an earlier constructive reduction to practice date. As mentioned above, the effective filing date of the present application is earlier than that of the '052 patent so that Applicants will be senior party in the requested interference. The present application claims priority from provisional application 60/059,861, which has the same disclosure, and which was filed on September 24, 1997. Furthermore, Applicants are entitled to an effective filing date of June 7, 1995 because the subject matter of the proposed count is supported by Applicants' 1995 filings (Application Ser. Nos. 08/475,252 and 08/474,779). In contrast, the '052 patent issued from an application filed on June 8, 1998, and claims priority from no previous filing.

(5.) Claims 12-21, 35-37 and 82-105 correspond to the proposed count and were added to this application to provoke an interference. Because the present application is a continuation of provisional application 60/059,861 and a continuation-in-part of parent App. Ser. Nos. 08/474,779 and 08/475,252 and incorporates by reference their disclosures, the support detailed in Addendum A for the purpose of demonstrating constructive reduction to practice (for section 6 below) also demonstrates written description support in the instant application for claims 12-21, 35-37 and 82-105.

(6.) Addendum A contains claim charts detailing examples of written description support for the subject matter of the proposed count (claims 12 and 19) in parent App. Ser. No. 08/474,779 (filed June 7, 1995). Also in Addendum A are claim charts detailing examples of written description support for the rest of claims 12-21, 35-37 and 82-105 in one of Applicants' June 7, 1995 filings (08/474,779 or 08/475,252) or in Applicants' September 24, 1997 filing (60/059,861).

CONCLUSION

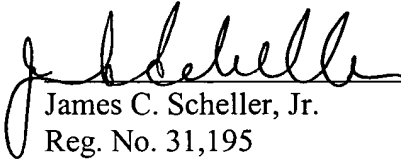
In view of the above, Applicants respectfully request that an Interference with the '052 patent be declared.

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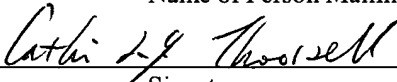
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ADDENDUM A

Specification Support for Corresponding Claims

Claim 12	Examples of Support in Parent Applications
A contraceptive or sterilization device for occluding a reproductive body lumen to prevent the passage of reproductive cells therethrough, comprising:	See, e.g., 08/474,779, page 3, lines 29-37; page 8, lines 9-22.
a) a tubular member having a first end, a second end, and a lumen extending therein, which is at least in part expandable within the reproductive body lumen from a first configuration to a second larger configuration; and	See, e.g., 08/474,779, Figs. 4, 6; page 9, lines 13-22; page 10, lines 30-38; page 11, lines 1-7; page 12, lines 16-30.
b) a mesh member connected to the tubular member, which is permeable to allow for tissue ingrowth to thereby occlude the reproductive body lumen.	See, e.g., 08/474,779, page 5, lines 4-8; page 8, lines 20-22; page 10, lines 5-17.

Claim 13	Examples of Support in Parent Applications
A contraceptive device installed within a lumen of the patient's reproductive system, comprising	See, e.g., 08/474,779, page 3, lines 29-37; page 8, lines 9-22.
a) a tubular member having a first end, a second end, and a lumen extending therein, and having at least a portion thereof which is secured to a body wall portion defining at least in part the lumen of the	See, e.g., 08/474,779, page 9, lines 13-22; page 13, lines 16-27.

Claim 13	Examples of Support in Parent Applications
patient's reproductive system; and	
b) an occluding member connected to the tubular member comprising an epithelialized mesh which occludes the lumen of the patient's reproductive system sufficiently to prevent the passage of reproductive cells therethrough.	See, e.g., 08/474,779, page 5, lines 4-8; page 8, lines 9-22; page 10, lines 5-17.

Claim 14	Examples of Support in Parent Applications
A contraceptive system, comprising	See, e.g., 08/474,779, page 6, lines 12-15.
a) a catheter having a proximal end, a distal end, and a lumen extending at least in part therein; and	See, e.g., 08/474,779, Fig. 3; Fig. 4; page 11, lines 26-30.
b) a contraceptive device releasably connected to the catheter, having a tubular member having a first end, a second end, and a lumen extending therein, which is at least in part expandable within the reproductive body lumen from a first configuration to a second larger configuration, and having a mesh member connected to the tubular member, which is permeable to allow for tissue ingrowth to thereby occlude the reproductive body lumen.	See, e.g., 08/474,779, Fig. 4; page 12, lines 4-19; page 9, lines 13-22; page 12, lines 16-30; page 5, lines 4-8; page 8, lines 13-22; page 10, lines 5-17.

Claim 15	Examples of Support in Parent Applications
A method of contraception comprising the steps of:	See, e.g., 08/474,779, page 3, lines 29-30; page 6, lines 30-34.
a) inserting within a desired body lumen a contraceptive device comprising a tubular member and a mesh member connected thereto;	See, e.g., 08/474,779, Fig. 5; Fig. 6; page 13, lines 3-15; page 9, lines 13-22; page 5, lines 4-8; page 8, lines 13-22; page 10, lines 5-17.
b) expanding the tubular member within the body lumen;	See, e.g., 08/474,779, Figs. 4-6; page 12, lines 16-30.
c) securing the expanded tubular member to a wall portion defining at least in part the body lumen; and	See, e.g., 08/474,779, Figs. 5-6; page 13, lines 16-27.
d) epithelializing the mesh member to occlude the body lumen.	See, e.g., 08/474,779, page 5, lines 4-8; page 8, lines 13-22; page 10, lines 5-17.

Claim 16	Examples of Support in Parent Applications
The method of claim 15 wherein the step of expanding the tubular member comprises the step of releasing a radially compressive force on the tubular member.	See, e.g., 08/474,779, Fig. 4, page 12, lines 4-19.

Claim 17	Examples of Support in Parent Applications
The method of claim 16 wherein the contraceptive device is disposed within a lumen of a delivery catheter, and the step of releasing the radially compressive force comprises longitudinally displacing the	See, e.g., 08/474,779, Fig. 3; Fig. 4; page 12, lines 20-22; page 13, lines 16-21.

Claim 17	Examples of Support in Parent Applications
tubular member out a distal end of the delivery catheter.	

Claim 18	Examples of Support in Parent Applications
The method of claim 15 wherein the expanded tubular member is disposed within the body lumen for sufficient time for it to be epithelialized within the body lumen and thereby secured to the wall portion.	See, e.g., 08/474,779, page 10, lines 5-17.

Claim 19	Examples of Support in Parent Applications
A contraceptive or sterilization device for occluding a fallopian tube to inhibit conception, comprising:	See, e.g., 08/474,779, page 3, lines 29-37; page 8, lines 9-22.
a) a tubular structure having a first end, a second end, and a lumen extending therein, the tubular structure expandable within the fallopian tube from a first configuration to a second larger configuration; and	See, e.g., 08/474,779, Fig. 4; page 9, lines 13-22; page 12, lines 16-30.
b) a tissue ingrowth element connected to the tubular structure, the tissue ingrowth element inciting tissue ingrowth to thereby occlude the fallopian tube.	See, e.g., 08/474,779, page 5, lines 4-8; page 8, lines 20-22; page 10, lines 5-17.

Claim 20	Examples of Support in Parent Applications
A contraceptive device installed within a patient's fallopian tube, comprising:	See, e.g., 08/474,779, page 3, lines 29-37; page 8, lines 9-22.
a) a tubular structure having a first end, a second end, and a lumen extending therein, and having at least a portion thereof which is secured to a tubal wall portion of the patient's fallopian tube; and	See, e.g., 08/474,779, page 9, lines 13-22; page 13, lines 16-27.
b) a tissue ingrowth element connected to the tubular structure comprising a material with tissue ingrowth therein which occludes the patient's fallopian tube sufficiently to disrupt conception.	See, e.g., 08/474,779, page 5, lines 4-8; page 8, lines 13-22; page 10, lines 5-17.

Claim 21	Examples of Support in Parent Applications
A contraceptive system, comprising:	See, e.g., 08/474,779, page 6, lines 12-15.
a) a catheter having a proximal end, a distal end, and a lumen extending therein; and	See, e.g., 08/474,779, Fig. 3; Fig. 4; page 11, lines 26-30.
b) a contraceptive device releasably connected to the catheter, having a tubular structure having a first end, a second end, and a lumen extending therein, which is expandable within the reproductive body lumen from a first configuration to a second larger configuration, and having a	See, e.g., 08/474,779, Fig. 4; page 12, lines 4-19; page 9, lines 13-22; page 12, lines 16-30; page 5, lines 4-8; page 8, lines 13-22; page 10, lines 5-17.

Claim 21	Examples of Support in Parent Applications
tissue ingrowth element connected to the tubular structure, which is porous to allow for tissue ingrowth to thereby occlude the reproductive body lumen.	

Claim 35	Examples of Support in Parent Applications
A sterilization device occluding a reproductive body lumen to prevent the passage of reproductive cells therethrough, comprising:	See, e.g., 08/474,779, page 3, lines 29-37; page 8, lines 9-22.
a) a tubular member having a first end, a second end, and a lumen extending therein, the tubular member at least in part expandable within the reproductive body lumen from a first configuration to a second larger configuration; and	See, e.g., 08/474,779, Fig. 4; page 9, lines 13-22; page 12, lines 16-30.
b) a mesh member connected to the tubular member, the mesh member permeable and receiving tissue ingrowth therein so as to occlude the reproductive body lumen.	See, e.g., 08/474,779, page 5, lines 4-8; page 8, lines 20-22; page 10, lines 5-17.

Claim 36	Examples of Support in Parent Applications
A contraceptive device installed within a lumen of the patient's reproductive system, comprising:	See, e.g., 08/474,779, page 3, lines 29-37; page 8, lines 9-22.
a) a tubular member having a first	See, e.g., 08/474,779, page 9, lines 13-22;

end, a second end, and a lumen extending therein, and having at least a portion thereof which is secured to a body wall portion defining at least in part the lumen of the patient's reproductive system; and	page 13, lines 16-27.
b) an occluding member connected to the tubular member comprising a mesh receiving tissue ingrowth therein, the ingrown mesh occluding the lumen of the patient's reproductive system sufficiently to prevent the passage of reproductive cells therethrough.	See, e.g., 08/474,779, page 5, lines 4-8; page 8, lines 13-22; page 10, lines 5-17.

Claim 37	Examples of Support in Parent Applications
A contraceptive or sterilization device for occluding a fallopian tube to inhibit conception, the fallopian tube capable of producing ingrowth tissues, the device comprising:	See, e.g., 08/474,779, page 3, lines 29-37; page 8, lines 9-22.
a) a tubular structure having a first end, a second end, and a lumen extending therein, the tubular structure expandable within the fallopian tube from a first configuration to a second larger configuration; and	See, e.g., 08/474,779, Fig. 4; page 9, lines 13-22; page 12, lines 16-30.
b) a tissue ingrowth element connected to the tubular structure, the tissue ingrowth element inciting tissue ingrowth to thereby occlude the fallopian	See, e.g., 08/474,779, page 5, lines 4-8; page 8, lines 20-22; page 10, lines 5-17.

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Claim 82	Examples of Support in Parent Applications
The method of claim 15 wherein the step of securing the tubular member to the wall portion comprises growing tissue into and around the tubular member within a fallopian tube.	See, e.g., 08/474,779, page 5, lines 4-8; page 8, lines 20-22; page 10, lines 5-17.

Claim 83	Examples of Support in Parent Applications
The method of claim 82 wherein the contraceptive device further includes one or more connecting members on a surface of the tubular member, and wherein the step of securing the tubular member to the wall portion further comprises embedding the connecting members in the wall portion.	See, e.g., 60/059,861, page 31, lines 31-37.

Claim 84	Examples of Support in Parent Applications
The device of claim 19 wherein the tissue ingrowth element comprises woven strands of a biocompatible material connected to the tubular structure.	See, e.g., 08/474,779, page 5, lines 4-8; page 8, lines 20-22; page 10, lines 5-17; 60/059,861, page 9, lines 16-17.

Claim 85	Examples of Support in Parent Applications
The device of claim 19 wherein the tissue ingrowth element comprises	See, e.g., 08/474,779, page 5, lines 4-8; page 8, lines 20-22; page 10, lines 5-17;

braided strands of a biocompatible material connected to the tubular structure.	60/059,861, page 9, lines 16-17.
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Claim 86	Examples of Support in Parent Applications
The device of claim 19 wherein the tissue ingrowth element is formed from Dacron.	See, e.g., 08/474,779, page 5, lines 4-8.

Claim 87	Examples of Support in Parent Applications
The device of claim 19 further including a tissue ingrowth layer longitudinally disposed along at least a section of at least one of an inner and an outer surface of the tubular structure.	See, e.g., 08/474,779, page 5, lines 4-8; page 8, lines 20-22; page 10, lines 5-17; 60/059,861, Fig. 12; page 26, lines 11-14.

Claim 88	Examples of Support in Parent Applications
The device of claim 87 wherein the tissue ingrowth layer is longitudinally disposed along substantially the entire length of at least one of the inner and the outer surface of the tubular structure.	See, e.g., 08/474,779, page 5, lines 4-8; page 8, lines 20-22; page 10, lines 5-17; 60/059,861, Figs. 12, 13, 14; page 26, lines 11-14.

Claim 89	Examples of Support in Parent Applications
The device of claim 19 wherein the tissue ingrowth element is disposed within the lumen of the tubular structure along substantially the entire length of the	See, e.g., 08/474,779, page 5, lines 4-8; page 8, lines 20-22; page 10, lines 5-17; 60/059,861, Figs. 12, 14; page 26, lines 11-14.

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Claim 90	Examples of Support in Parent Applications
The device of claim 19 wherein the tissue ingrowth element is disposed within the lumen of the tubular structure in a plurality of sections intermittently spaced along the length of the tubular structure.	See, e.g., 60/059,861, Fig. 12.

Claim 91	Examples of Support in Parent Applications
The device of claim 19 wherein the tissue ingrowth element is disposed within the lumen of the tubular structure at the first end of the tubular member.	See, e.g., 08/474,779, page 5, lines 4-8; page 8, lines 20-22; page 10, lines 5-17; 60/059,861, Fig. 12.

Claim 92	Examples of Support in Parent Applications
The device of claim 91 including a tissue ingrowth layer longitudinally disposed along at least a section of at least one of an inner and outer surface of the tubular structure.	See, e.g., 08/474,779, page 5, lines 4-8; page 8, lines 20-22; page 10, lines 5-17; 60/059,861, Figs. 12, 13, 14; page 26, lines 11-14.

Claim 93	Examples of Support in Parent Applications
The device of claim 19 wherein the tubular structure comprises Nitinol.	See, e.g., 08/474,779, page 4, lines 11-14.

Claim 94	Examples of Support in Parent Applications
The device of claim 19 wherein the tubular structure further includes anchoring members configured to secure the expanded tubular structure to a wall defining the fallopian tube.	See, e.g., 08/474,779, page 11, lines 8-15; 60/059,861, page 31, lines 32-37.

Claim 95	Examples of Support in Parent Applications
The device of claim 19 wherein the tubular structure expands from the first configuration to the second larger configuration by the release of a radially compressive force.	See, e.g., 08/474,779, Fig. 4; page 5, lines 29-38; page 6, lines 1-11.

Claim 96	Examples of Support in Parent Applications
The device of claim 91 wherein the tubular structure's second larger configuration comprises an expanded diameter increasing along at least a section thereof from the first end of the tubular structure to the second end of the tubular structure.	See, e.g., 08/474,779, Fig. 6; 60/059,861, Figs. 12, 14, 18.

Claim 97	Examples of Support in Parent Applications
The device of claim 19 wherein the tubular structure comprises a lattice-like framework.	See, e.g., 08/474,779, page 14, lines 8-10; page 9, lines 15-19; 60/059,861, Fig. 18; page 31, lines 17-20.

Claim 98	Examples of Support in Parent Applications
The device of claim 97 wherein the lattice-like framework comprises a thin walled metallic tube having a pattern of cuts configured to allow the tubular structure to be expanded to the second larger configuration.	See, e.g., 60/059,861, Fig. 18, page 31, lines 17-20.

Claim 99	Examples of Support in Parent Applications
The device of claim 97 wherein the lattice-like framework comprises a braid of wire.	See, e.g., 60/059,861, page 31, lines 30-32.

Claim 100	Examples of Support in Parent Applications
The device of claim 97 wherein the lattice-like framework comprises a helical coil of wire.	See, e.g., 08/474,779, page 9, lines 15-19.

Claim 101	Examples of Support in Parent Applications
The device of claim 19 wherein the surface of the tubular structure is configured to promote tissue growth.	See, e.g., 08/474,779, page 5, lines 4-8; page 8, lines 20-22; page 10, lines 5-17; 60/059,861, page 8, lines 8-19; page 8, lines 32-36; page 24, lines 37-38; page 25, lines 1-15.

Claim 102	Examples of Support in Parent Applications
The device of claim 19 coated at least in part with a compound to promote tissue cell growth.	See, e.g., 08/474,779, page 5, lines 4-8; page 8, lines 20-22; page 10, lines 5-17; 60/059,861, page 8, lines 8-19; page 8, lines 32-36; page 24, lines 37-38; page 25, lines 1-15.

Claim 103	Examples of Support in Parent Applications
The device of claim 19 further comprising copper or a copper alloy.	See, e.g., 08/474,779, page 3, lines 29-34.

Claim 104	Examples of Support in Parent Applications
The device of claim 19 wherein the tubular structure has an open-walled structure to facilitate the ingrowth of tissue cells thereby securing at least a section of the expanded tubular structure to a wall portion of the fallopian tube.	See, e.g., 08/474,779, Figs. 1, 4; page 5, lines 4-8; page 8, lines 20-22; page 10, lines 5-17.

Claim 105	Examples of Support in Parent Applications
The installed contraceptive device of the claim 20 wherein tissue has grown into and around at least a length of the tubular structure.	See, e.g., 08/474,779, page 5, lines 4-8; page 8, lines 20-22; page 10, lines 5-17.